

## **Opportunity to Comment on Storrie/Rich Fire Area Watershed Improvement and Forest Road 26N67 Re-alignment Project**

The Mt. Hough Ranger District of the Plumas National Forest is preparing an environmental assessment of the Storrie and Rich Fire Area Watershed Improvement and Forest Road 26N67 Re-alignment Project. This project proposes to restore the fire area and reduce the post-fire effects to watersheds and infrastructure. Specifically, the project would relocate a segment of Forest Road 26N67 away from a stream channel to reduce sedimentation and decommission unneeded forest road segments that are causing stream sedimentation.

The project area is on the Mt. Hough Ranger District, Plumas National Forest. It is located in areas burned by the Storrie, Rich, and Chip Fires, in the Plumas National Forest in Plumas County, California. The project area is near the south end of the Butt Valley Reservoir. It ranges approximately 10 to 12 air miles west southwest of Greenville, California, and approximately 14 to 16 air miles north northwest of Quincy, California.

A notice of proposed action is available online at:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51655>

The notice and supporting documentation is also available for review at the Mt. Hough Ranger District, 39696 Highway 70, Quincy, CA 95971. Additional information regarding this project can be obtained from: Christine Handler, Project Leader, phone: 559-920-2188; email: [cahandler@fs.fed.us](mailto:cahandler@fs.fed.us).

The Responsible Official who will issue a decision on this project is Micki Smith, District Ranger, Mt. Hough Ranger District.

### **How to Comment and Timeframe**

Specific written comments on the proposed project would be most useful when received by Friday, June 2, 2017.

Written comments must be submitted via mail, fax, or in person to: Micki Smith, District Ranger, c/o Plumas Fire Restoration Comments, Mt. Hough Ranger District, 39696 Highway 70, Quincy, CA 95971, Fax 530-283-1821, or in person Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding holidays. Electronic comments including attachments can be submitted to: [comments-pacificsouthwest-plumas-mthugh@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificsouthwest-plumas-mthugh@fs.fed.us)

Comments submitted electronically must be in plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc or .docx), portable document format (.pdf), or an email message. Please include "Storrie/Rich Fire Area Watershed Improvement and Forest Road 26N67 Re-alignment Project" in the subject line.

Names and contact information submitted with comments will become part of the public record and may be released under the Freedom of Information Act.

### **Objection Regulations (36 CFR §218)**

The proposed project is subject to the pre-decisional review (or objection) regulations of 36 CFR §218 Subparts A and B. This is a supplemental notice being provided to

announce a designated opportunity to comment associated with the project scoping period. This is *not* the legal notice associated with the comment period specified in 36 CFR §218.24.

Only those who submit timely and specific written comments (defined by 36 CFR §218.1) during a designated public comment period established by the responsible official will have eligibility to file an objection (36 CFR §218.5). For this scoping comment period, comments will be considered timely if submitted by June 2, 2017. For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting timely and specific written comments must either sign the comment or verify identity upon request. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object must meet the information requirements in §218.25(a) (3).

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